

KCNC-TV

Quarterly Issues/Programs Report  
First Quarter  
2013

**January 1, 2013 – March 31, 2013**

## **KCNC-TV QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST**

Attached are listings of broadcasts or broadcast segments, which, in the station's judgment, reflect the station's most significant programming treatment of ascertained community issues during the period from January 1, 2013 to March 31, 2013.

KCNC broadcasts both locally produced and network programming. Although we include only local programs herein, KCNC also broadcasts several network programs including Face The Nation, 60 Minutes and 48 Hours, which we believe also serve community needs and interests.

### **PROGRAM INDEX**

**CBS4 MORNING** - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.

Duration: Two hours Monday - Friday 5:00 am - 7:00am. One hour Saturday 7:00am - 8:00am. Two hours Sunday 6:00am - 8:00am.

**CBS4 AT NOON** - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.

Duration: One half-hour Monday - Friday, 12:00pm - 12:30pm

**CBS4 AT 5** - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.

Duration: One half-hour Monday - Friday, 5:00pm - 5:30pm. One hour Saturday - Sunday, 5:00pm - 6:00pm.

**CBS4 AT 6** - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.

Duration: One half-hour Monday - Saturday, 6:00pm - 6:30pm.

**CBS4 AT 6:30** - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.

Duration: One half-hour Monday - Friday, 6:30pm - 7:00pm.

**CBS4 AT 10** - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.

Duration: Thirty five minutes Monday - Sunday, 10:00pm - 10:35pm

**WEDNESDAY'S CHILD** - Evrod Cassimy highlights a child waiting to be adopted from the Adoption Exchange.

Duration: One minute and forty-five seconds. Wednesdays, 12:00pm, 4:00pm and 10:00pm newscasts

**COLORADO GETAWAYS** - Regularly scheduled half-hour show features places to go and things to see throughout Colorado.

Duration: One half hour - Saturday, 6:30pm

## **ISSUES**

### **EDUCATION**

CBS4 MORNING –

01/05/13 Education funding is one of the top concerns of Governor Hickenlooper as he faces the legislative session.

01/17/13 A new study found that the more money parents contribute toward their kids' college education, the lower the grades they earn.

CBS4 AT 5 –

01/05/13 College Invest helps families save to send their children and grandchildren to college.

01/05/13 Governor Hickenlooper indicated that he is open to discussing a tax increase for education.

01/17/13 Planned Parenthood educator, Rebecca Engel, teaches sex education in schools that allow it, but she says too many schools offer limited information, misinformation or no information.

01/19/13 A new bill would mandate sex education in all public schools. Private schools will be exempt.

CBS4 AT 6 and CBS4 AT 6:30 –

01/03/13 The annual list of 100 best values in public colleges includes two Colorado schools for in-state students, the Colorado School of Mines, which ranks number 58 and the University of Colorado Boulder is number 88. In the ranking of value for out-of-state students, Colorado School of Mines ranks 53rd and CU-Boulder ranks 98th.

01/15/13 In the spring of 2012, Metro State set up a lower tuition rate for illegal immigrants. This year's bill gives the students In-State Tuition at all Colorado Colleges and Universities.

01/18/13 "Z" Place is a new comprehensive, community based early childhood and family support center, which nurtures kids from birth to age 21. It's located on the Evie Denis Campus, which is dedicated to helping 35,000 at-risk youth.

01/28/13 In the first gun-related bill of this session, lawmakers are discussing whether teachers and staff should be allowed to carry guns inside public schools.

02/28/13 If the Sequester takes effect, in Colorado 120 teachers could lose their jobs and 300 low income children could lose child care.

03/06/13 State Senator Mike Johnston says it's been a long time since Colorado changed the way it funds schools. So, he will introduce the biggest school reform in Colorado in 20 years, which hinges on voters approving a billion dollar tax increase on income.

CBS4 AT 10 –

01/28/13 A legislative proposal to let school teachers bring guns to school did not pass.

### **HEALTHCARE**

CBS4 MORNING –

01/10/13 Governor Hickenlooper's office says he will talk about health care initiatives, including his plans to expand mental health services, in the State of the State.

#### CBS4 AT NOON –

03/12/13 The Republicans' proposal to balance the budget requires future Medicare patients to pay more, and scraps the President's Health Care Reform law.

#### CBS4 AT 5 –

01/03/13 As part of President Obama's Health Care Law, the governor says 160,000 low income adults, who earn less than \$15,000 per year, would be eligible for public health care assistance.

01/14/13 The National Health Care Reform means that next year everyone in the nation will be required to have health insurance. In Colorado, that means the health care industry and state officials are scrambling to make the transition as easy as possible for consumers.

02/01/13 President Obama announced a new "opt out" on birth control coverage as part of his Health Care Reform. The administration will now allow religious non-profits to offer coverage that does not include contraception.

#### CBS4 AT 6 and CBS4 AT 6:30 –

01/03/13 One-hundred-thousand more Coloradans will have access to the Medicaid program since Governor Hickenlooper announced the state will participate in a Medicaid expansion under the new healthcare law.

01/08/13 A federal judge has thrown out Colorado Christian University's lawsuit protesting the mandate to make health insurance plans offer contraceptives without a co-pay.

02/12/13 Peter Hudson founded an "app" called I-Triage", to help people find the best health care provider for them, based on their symptoms. It can also store personal health records and help people make better decisions about their health care.

#### CBS4 AT 10 –

01/10/13 Federal Health Care Reform requires insurance companies to cover mental illnesses, but the problem has been implementing it at the state level.

02/17/13 A top administrator with a local hospital chain says hospital bills are negotiable. The uninsured should never pay full price, because hospitals offer immediately a 50% discount to self-pay patients.

### **SAFETY – Gun Violence**

#### CBS4 MORNING –

01/05/13 After dismissing gun control earlier in the year, for the first time, Governor Hickenlooper was specific about what he would support. After listening to people around the state he says there is almost universal agreement that everyone should get a background check and pay for it themselves, with the money going to mental health.

01/09/13 A bill to protect students, sponsored by Senator Steve King of Mesa County, would put a school resource officer in every school in the state.

01/10/13 The White House is looking at several new laws including reinstating the assault weapons ban that expired in 2004, extending criminal and mental health background checks to firearm sales at gun shows and through private dealers and banning high capacity ammunition magazines.

01/11/13 During the State of the State, Governor Hickenlooper told the General Assembly they have an obligation to prevent tragedies like the Aurora Theater Shooting. He called for universal background checks for all gun sales, including private sales, which are now exempt.

01/17/13 Representative Rhonda Fields' bill requiring background checks on all gun sales is the only one of the eight gun bills being introduced in the Colorado Legislature that has a good chance of passing.

01/24/13 In the U.S. Congress, lawmakers introduced a new bill to ban assault weapons and high capacity ammunition clips.

01/25/13 Vice President Biden traveled to Virginia to try to gain public support for President Obama's gun control proposals. He said, "It's not about keeping bad guns out of the hands of good people, it's about keeping all guns out of the hands of bad people."

01/31/13 Families of victims of the Sandy Hook Elementary shooting spoke at a public hearing before a bipartisan panel of Connecticut State Lawmakers who are considering policy changes. Many spoke in favor of new gun laws and a few spoke against.

02/04/13 Mark Kelly, husband of former Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords, believes that current background checks are working and that they need to be extended to include sales at gun shows and private dealers.

CBS4 AT NOON –

01/08/13 Gabrielle Giffords and her husband Mark Kelly launched a new political action committee called “Americans for Responsible Solutions”, aimed at reducing gun violence.

03/28/13 Family members of several students and a teacher killed in the Sandy Hook Elementary massacre are appearing in new television ads advocating gun control.

03/28/13 A CBS News poll shows that support for stricter gun laws is now 47 percent, which is down from 57 percent just after the shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School in December.

CBS4 AT 5 –

01/03/13 Colorado Congresswoman Diana DeGette introduced legislation to ban high-capacity gun magazines.

01/09/13 A 15-year-old girl was attacked by a robber in her home. She was saved by the security alarm.

01/30/13 Former Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords, who was wounded in Arizona, testified on Capitol Hill about gun control.

CBS4 AT 6 and CBS4 AT 6:30 –

01/24/13 Colorado Sheriffs in Montezuma, Weld and Larimer County say they won't enforce any new gun laws. Sheriff Lou Vallario says even banning some kinds of rifles like what was proposed in Congress is an over-reach and infringes on the Second Amendment.

01/26/13 Thousands of people walked from the Capitol reflecting pool to the Washington monument to call for tougher gun control. They carried signs with the names and pictures of gun violence victims.

02/16/13 The State House of Representatives gave initial approval to a package of gun control measures, consisting of limiting high capacity magazines to 15 rounds, a ban on concealed weapons on public college campuses, expanded background checks to include private sales of guns, and making gun buyers pay for their background checks.

02/21/13 John Delva is selling a rare AR-15 on armslist.com where there are dozens of other sellers with similar high powered rifles in the state. The site has thousands of listings for handguns, high capacity magazines, even AK-47s, but requires no background checks.

02/25/13 Franklin Sain has been arrested for threatening the life of Rhonda Fields and her daughters. Fields is the Legislature's most vocal supporter of gun control.

03/01/13 Senator Greg Brophy says if Democrats succeed in passing a bill limiting large capacity magazines in Colorado, they will outlaw the most popular selling firearm for hunting. A section of the bill defines a high capacity magazine as one “capable of accepting, or that can be readily converted to accept more than 15 rounds or eight shotgun shells”.

03/04/13 Four out of seven bills have passed in the Colorado Senate. They are a bill calling for universal background checks on gun purchases, a bill requiring gun owners to pay for background checks, a bill setting new limits on ammunition magazines, and a bill for a firearm ban for domestic violence offenders.

CBS4 AT 10 –

01/03/13 Since the Newtown shooting, the push for gun control has become stronger, prompting many Coloradans to stock up on firearms. All fire arm background checks are processed by the Colorado Bureau of Investigation.

01/04/13 Marijuana and guns are two of the leading issues for Colorado’s next legislative session.

01/09/13 Pro-gun marchers gathered in front of the State Capitol while inside, House Speaker Mark Ferrandino was addressing issues such as having armed school resource officers in every Colorado school, banning assault rifles, and mental health screening for potential gun buyers.

01/16/13 President Obama signed 23 executive orders combating gun violence. One directs the CDC to study it and another helps young people get mental health treatment.

02/05/13 Police have arrested a boy accused of pointing a gun at a grandmother inside her antique store, and the suspect they are dealing with may be as young as 12 years old.

02/05/13 Colorado Democrats are proposing a bill that would hold assault weapon manufacturers liable for damage inflicted.

02/15/13 The fourth and final bill in the State House of Representatives is a bill that would prohibit firearms on college campuses, even with a conceal carry permit.

02/16/13 The organization “Guns for Everyone” is giving away the same high capacity 15-round magazines that legislators are trying to ban and Edgar Antillon of “Guns for Everyone” is giving away 30-round magazines, in a contest.

02/18/13 Law enforcement sources say that Adam Lanza, the gunman at Sandy Hook Elementary, saw himself as being in direct competition with Anders Brevik, a Norwegian man who killed 77 people, 69 of them teenagers.

02/21/13 Shaun Tobelmann is in custody after spending hours firing shots from his 5<sup>th</sup> floor apartment window into Denver’s Capitol Hill neighborhood.

02/23/13 The Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police, believe that background checks do the most that can possibly be done at that stage to keep guns out of the hands of people who should not have them.

02/26/13 Democratic Senator John Morse is introducing a bill that would make manufacturers and sellers of assault weapons liable for crimes committed with those guns.

## **HOMELESSNESS**

CBS4 MORNING –

02/13/13 President Obama urged Congress to come together to strengthen the economy and boost job creation. He said, “Let’s declare that in the wealthiest nation on Earth, no one who works full-time should have to live in poverty”.

03/17/13 In the GOP weekly address, Representative Paul Ryan said “46-million people are living in poverty and one in seven workers either can’t find a job or works only part-time.”

03/26/13 The US Department of Agriculture is expanding its "Strike Force" program, which is designed to reduce poverty in rural areas. It gives those in need better access to federal money which helps farmers and food producers and helps feed low income children.

CBS4 AT NOON –

02/01/13 Denver's "Road Home" program works to get the homeless off the streets. Denver Mayor Michael Hancock says there are 12,000 people who are homeless in the metro area, 5,000 of which are in the City of Denver and 2,100 of which are children.

CBS4 AT 5 –

01/26/13 Upstream Impact, a new non-profit, provides assistance for people living in poverty. Through the non-profit, middle and upper class families participated in a simulation to help them understand what it means to live at the poverty level.

02/13/13 President Obama wants to increase the minimum wage from \$7.25 to \$9.00 an hour.

02/28/13 A new Denver home built by Home-Aid and Volunteers of America is ready to welcome homeless veterans who need help getting back on their feet. There are now three such houses in the Mayfair neighborhood and more than 40 homes along the front range.

03/18/13 The annual "Kids Count" report found that despite a 1% increase in the number of children living in poverty in Colorado, more of them are getting access to health care and they are getting better education.

CBS4 AT 6 and CBS4 AT 6:30 –

01/03/13 The federal poverty level is \$11,000 for an individual and \$23,000 for a family of four.

03/05/13 Democrats say an increase of the minimum wage would get millions out of poverty and boost the economy. Republicans say it would hurt employers.

03/27/13 Derek McKee, a high school senior, works with "The little Red Wagon Foundation" which helps under-privileged kids. He is spending his spring break living in a box on the 16<sup>th</sup> Street Mall, to draw attention to the 1,500 homeless kids in Denver.

## **SUBSTANCE ABUSE**

CBS4 MORNING –

01/25/13 Richard Sandberg, a self-proclaimed former Special Ops Marine, is now in federal custody thanks to undercover ATF agents. He was building his own explosive devices and trading them for cocaine.

01/25/13 Two CU Students allegedly brought marijuana-laced brownies to a class, sickening a professor and several other students.

01/26/13 Federal health advisors want more restrictions on hydrocodone, a highly addictive ingredient found in vicodin, a widely abused prescription painkiller.

02/03/13 Greenwood Village has passed an ordinance that bans marijuana use on public streets and sidewalks, and is expected to pass another ordinance that controls growing marijuana at home.

CBS4 AT NOON –

01/15/13 Lance Armstrong was stripped of his 7 Tour de France titles after the US Anti-Doping Agency found overwhelming evidence that he took performance enhancing drugs. He has denied the allegations for years, but now he has confessed, and could face legal issues by admitting to lying.

CBS4 AT 5 –

01/14/13 School Resource Officers walk the halls of every high school and most middle schools in Jefferson County Public Schools, dealing with everything from gangs and drugs to bullying and sexting.

01/27/13 A routine traffic stop on the Western Slope netted nearly five pounds of methamphetamine with a street value of more than \$218,000.

01/28/13 Amendment 64 has become state law. It allows people 21 and older to possess and consume pot, and to grow it in their homes.

01/28/13 Since medical marijuana became legal in Colorado, emergency rooms are reporting higher instances of kids getting sick from eating marijuana-infused cookies, brownies and other products.

02/04/13 Colorado Congressman Jared Polis plans to introduce a bill that would allow states to legalize pot and require growers to get a federal permit. It would move enforcement from the DEA to a newly renamed Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Marijuana, and Firearms.

02/16/13 The Town of Nederland could soon have an ordinance in place making it the first town in America to regulate marijuana.

02/26/13 State Representatives Mark Waller and Rhonda Fields are sponsoring a bill to determine what is too stoned to drive and how to test for it. They have the Governor's backing.

03/13/13 The American Academy of Neurology warns that ADHD drugs are being used by a growing number of high school students, to improve their attention spans and take tests. This is not healthy for developing brains and can be addictive.

CBS4 AT 6 and CBS4 AT 6:30 –

01/17/13 Robin Steinke is the alleged ring leader of a prescription drug ring where she used a large group of people to illegally acquire and sell oxycodone. She and 14 others have been charged as part of the investigation.

01/22/13 More than 200 officers from 10 agencies took part in a 17-month long investigation into a cocaine ring, which operated in Boulder, Weld, Adams and Denver counties. Fourteen people are in jail and police are looking for six other suspects.

01/29/13 President Obama wants tougher penalties for those who smuggle people, drugs and weapons over the border.

02/01/13 Medical Marijuana is supposed to be sold only in state-licensed and inspected dispensaries, but people are selling it on Craigslist. They advertise that the marijuana is free, but the buyer must pay for delivery or make a donation.

02/04/13 In Boulder County, some neighbors are concerned because a marijuana grow house is planning to expand to 10 times its present size.

02/10/13 CBS4 presented a four-part series and a one-hour special "Marijuana in Colorado". A team of reporters was dispatched all over the west to provide an in-depth look at what legalizing marijuana really means.

03/20/13 Two students at CU Boulder could be charged with felonies for allegedly buying and selling prescription drugs meant for treating hyperactive disorder.

CBS4 AT 10 –

01/06/13 Lance Armstrong has told associates he may admit to using performance enhancing drugs.

01/29/13 Alex Rodriguez, who already admitted to using steroids, is now under investigation for use of performance enhancing drugs.



01/31/13 Last year in Colorado more than 400 people died from the abuse of prescription drugs that weren't prescribed for them. Colorado has the second highest rate of prescription medicine abuse in the country. The DEA now says it is easier and cheaper to get heroin than oxycodone, and therefore a lot of people turn to heroin when they can no longer find pills.

02/11/13 Denver is one of a growing number of Colorado cities looking at ways to rein in legal marijuana to avoid a rise in crime like happened in California after marijuana was legalized.

02/13/13 The use of pot is prevalent in high schools, so it's time for parents to talk to their kids about marijuana.

02/19/13 Colorado's marijuana task force decided that visitors to Colorado will be able to buy marijuana while they are here.

02/25/13 The Amendment 64 Task Force is making recommendations to the state about how to implement recreational marijuana, making sure the packaging doesn't entice children and laying out the rules for consumption by those who care for children.

03/05/13 The FBI conducted a major raid at an auto dealership in Commerce City where there was a multi-million dollar operation involving drugs, cars and money laundering.

03/05/13 A United Nations drug agency is pushing the Federal Government to challenge the legalization of recreational marijuana use.

03/30/13 A CSU basketball player, Stephon Wynn, is facing charges of distribution of a controlled substance and marijuana.